

**LifeTec Distribution Partner, BOC Medical Gases, Awarded Participation into the NWCCA Framework Agreement for Oxylator™ Pneumatically Powered Portable Ventilators**

BOC Medical Gases (a member of the The Linde Group) announced today that it has been successful in gaining inclusion into the NWCCA Framework Agreement, covering pneumatically powered portable ventilators for NHS Ambulance Service Trusts in England.



The framework agreement is set to run for an initial period of 3 years, with the option to extend for a further year.

Rachel Mason, BOC Healthcare's Sales & Marketing Manager, said; *"We are looking forward to working with Ambulance Service Trusts over the coming months to assess their portable ventilator needs. The Oxylator™ range offers a new standard in care to patients during resuscitation attempts and short term ventilation support."*

All Oxylator™ devices come with the following benefits:

- Automatically adjusts to patient lung characteristics / compliance
- Confirmation of correct tube placement, blocked airway & oxygen delivery to the lung
- Automatic synchronisation with continuous chest compressions (manual or mechanical)
- Simple to clean / disinfect, with butyl versions available allowing effective performance and cleaning if subjected to chemical hazard
- 5 year warranty
- Minimal on-costs: Oxylator™ requires no conventional maintenance or calibration for the lifetime of the device.



**Notes to editors**

An image is available to accompany this release. Please contact Simon Napper at BOC. Email: [simon.napper@boc.com](mailto:simon.napper@boc.com)

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